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Flower of Cypripedium spectabile

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## **GARDENS OF THE BLUE RIDGE**

**Hardy Vines, Climbers, and Creepers, Native Ferns, Aquatic and  
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Perennials of the Blue Ridge Mountains**

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## Hardy Vines, Climbers, and Creepers



Galax  
aphylla

AMPELOPSIS engelmanni. Engel-	10	100	1,000
mann Creeper.			
Strong coll. ....		\$3 00	\$25 00
CELASTRUS scandens. American			
Bittersweet.			
2 to 3 feet. Strong trans. ....	\$2 00	15 00	140 00
CLEMATIS virginiana. Virgin's			
Bower. Hardy, graceful			
climber.			
Extra-strong trans. ....	1 25	10 00	90 00
DIOSCOREA villosa. Yam. Strong			
trans. ....	1 00	7 00	65 00
EPIGÆA repens. Trailing Arbutus.			
Strong coll. clumps. ....	1 25	10 00	85 00
GALAX aphylla. Galax. One of our best ever-			
green ground-cover plants for shady			
locations.			
Extra-strong coll. clumps. ....	1 00	7 00	60 00
GAULTHERIA procumbens. Wintergreen.			
Strong coll. clumps. ....	1 25	10 00	85 00
HOUSTONIA serpyllifolia. Creeping Bluets. Strong.	1 50	10 00	85 00
IRIS cristata. Crested Iris. A grand ground-			
cover for shade or open locations.			
Extra-strong trans. clumps. ....	1 00	7 50	70 00
germanica. German Iris. Strong trans.,			
assorted colors. ....	3 00	25 00	
verna. Vernal Iris. Strong coll. clumps. ....	1 00	9 00	80 00
LONICERA japonica halliana. Hall's Honeysuckle. Splendid			
for trellises and excellent ground-cover. Very			
vigorous grower. Extra-strong trans. ....	2 00	17 50	
X strong collected plants will be quoted on request,			
according to quantity wanted. Large stock on hand.			
MITCHELLA repens. Partridge Berry. A good evergreen			
ground-cover for shady places.			
Strong coll. clumps. ....	1 25	10 00	85 00
PHLOX stolonifera (P. reptans). Creeping Phlox. A free-			
growing ground-cover for shady or open locations.			
Strong trans. clumps. ....	1 50	12 00	100 00
subulata. Moss Pink. Splendid for ground-cover or rock-			
garden. Strong trans. plants. ....	1 50	12 50	100 00
RUBUS hispidus. Swamp Dewberry.			
1 to 2 feet. Strong coll. plants. ....	1 00	7 50	65 00
trivialis. Southern Dewberry.			
1½ to 3 feet. Strong coll. plants. ....	1 00	8 50	75 00
SEDUM telephoides. Wild Liveforever. Strong trans. ....	1 75	15 00	140 00
ternatum. Mountain Stonecrop. Strong trans. clumps. ....	1 00	9 00	80 00
SHORTIA galacifolia. Oconee Bells. Esteemed rare ever-			
green ground-cover, best suited to shade.			
Light trans. plants. ....	1 00	7 50	60 00
Strong trans. ....	1 50	14 00	120 00

## Hardy Native Ferns

ADIANTUM pedatum. American Maidenhair Fern.	10	100	1,000
Extra-strong trans. ....	\$0 75	\$5 00	\$45 00
ATHYRIUM filixfemina. Lady Fern. Large, deciduous, and			
showy. Strong trans. ....	1 25	7 00	60 00
BOTRYCHIUM virginianum. Rattlesnake Fern.			
Deciduous. Strong trans. ....	1 00	8 00	75 00

## HARDY NATIVE FERNS, continued

DICKSONIA punctilobula. Hay-scented Fern. A very handsome, vigorous-growing species. Good for shade or open locations. Extra-strong trans. clumps.....	10	100	1,000
hexagonoptera. Winged Woodfern. Deciduous. Strong trans.....	\$0 75	\$5 00	\$35 00
marginalis. Leather Woodfern. Vigorous evergreen. Strong trans.....	1 00	7 00	65 00
spinulosa. Toothed Woodfern. Strong trans.....	1 00	7 00	60 00
ONOCLEA sensibilis. Sensitive Fern. Deciduous. Suitable for dry or moist locations. Strong trans.....	1 00	8 00	65 00
OSMUNDA cinnamomea. Cinnamon Fern. A stately, large, deciduous grower. Extra-strong trans.....	1 00	7 50	70 00
claytoniana. Interrupted Fern. Deciduous; bold and attractive grower. Extra-strong trans.....	1 00	9 00	80 00
regalis. Royal Fern. Large; deciduous; attractive foliage. Extra-strong trans.....	1 00	8 50	80 00
POLYPODIUM vulgare. Common Polypody. A charming little evergreen Fern. Strong coll. clumps.....	1 50	10 00	85 00
POLYSTICHUM acrostichoides. Christmas Fern. Evergreen and extremely ornamental. Extra-strong trans....	75	6 00	50 00
PTERETIS nodulosa. Ostrich Fern. Very strong; deciduous; bold growing. XX strong trans.....	1 75	15 00	140 00
PTERIDIUM aquilinum. Bracken. Deciduous; tall; strong-growing. Strong coll. plants.....	75	5 00	45 00

## Hardy Aquatic and Bog Plants

ACORUS calamus. Sweet Flag. Strong trans.....	10	100	1,000
ASTER puniceus. Swamp Aster. Lilac-blue; tall-growing. Extra-strong trans.....	\$0 75	\$6 00	\$50 00
CALTHA palustris. Marsh Marigold. Strong trans.....	1 00	7 00	60 00
CHELONE glabra. White Turtlehead. Strong trans.....	1 75	15 00	135 00
lyoni. Pink Turtlehead. Strong trans.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
CICUTA maculata. Spotted Water Hemlock. Strong trans...	1 00	8 00	75 00
DIONÆA muscipula. Venus' Flytrap. A strange and most unusual plant that captures flies and other insects for food. Strong plants.....	1 00	7 00	65 00
HEMEROCALLIS fulva. Tawny Day Lily. Strong trans.....	1 75	14 00	130 00
IRIS pseudacorus. Yellow Flag; Large Sword-leaf Iris. Extra-strong trans.....	1 75	15 00	130 00
versicolor. Blue Flag. Strong trans.....	2 00	17 50	160 00
MERTENSIA virginica. Virginia Bluebells. Strong trans....	1 75	15 00	125 00
MONARDA didyma. Oswego Beebalm. Strong trans.....	1 75	14 00	110 00
SARRACENIA flava. Trumpet Pitcher Plant. Strong trans...	1 00	7 50	60 00
purpurea. Common Pitcher Plant. Strong trans.....	1 75	15 00	140 00
SAXIFRAGA virginianensis. Virginia Saxifrage. Strong trans..	1 75	15 00	140 00
TYPHA latifolia. Common Cat-tail. Strong coll. plants.....	1 50	12 50	90 00
VERATRUM viride. American False Hellebore. Extra-heavy trans.....	1 00	7 00	60 00
	1 75	15 00	125 00

## Hardy Native Orchids

CALOPOGON pulchellus. Grass-Pink Orchid. Strong trans. Never large.....	10	100	1,000
CYPRIPEDIUM acaule. Pink Lady-Slipper. Light.....	\$1 25	\$10 00	\$80 00
Medium-size trans. plants.....	75	3 00	25 00
Strong trans.....	75	6 00	50 00
pubescens. Common Lady-Slipper. Medium-size trans. plants.....	1 75	16 00	150 00
Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	70 00
	1 75	16 00	150 00





Trillium grandiflorum

**HARDY NATIVE ORCHIDS, continued**

<b>Cypripedium spectabile.</b> Showy Lady-Slipper. White to rose-colored flowers. A strong grower in peat soils and shady bogs. We carry a large stock on hand and are prepared to fill all early orders.	10	100	1,000
Extra-strong trans., 1 to 3 strong flowering crowns to each clump.....	\$3 50	\$28 00	\$250 00
XX strong trans., 4 to 6 flowering crowns to each clump. Each, \$1.25..	10 00	90 00	
<b>HABENARIA ciliaris.</b> Yellow Fringe Orchid. Very popular for rockery. Strong trans.....	1 50	12 50	115 00
psycodes. Small Purple Fringe Orchid. Strong trans....	2 00	17 50	160 00
<b>ORCHIS spectabilis.</b> Showy Orchid. Best adapted to shady locations. Strong trans.....	1 75	15 00	140 00

**Hardy Native Lilies and Bulbous Plants**

<b>ARISÆMA triphyllum.</b> Jack-in-the-Pulpit.	10	100	1,000
Extra-strong trans.....	\$1 00	\$8 00	\$75 00
<b>CONVALLARIA majalis.</b> Lily-of-the-Valley. Strong trans...	75	6 00	50 00
<b>DICENTRA eximia.</b> Fringed Bleeding-heart. Graceful, fern-like foliage and deep rose flowers, nodding in slender scape-like racemes all summer. A splendid rock-garden subject. Small trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
Strong trans. plants.....	2 00	15 00	140 00
<b>ERYTHRONIUM americanum.</b> American Trout Lily. Never large. Strong trans.....	75	4 00	35 00
<b>LILIUM canadense.</b> Canada Lily. Slender stems 2 to 4 feet high. Flowers in various shades of orange, yellow, and red. Very ornamental.			
Strong trans. flowering-size bulbs.....	1 75	15 00	140 00
Strong trans. second-size bulbs.....	1 00	7 50	65 00
<b>carolinianum.</b> Carolina Lily. Height 3 to 4 feet. Leaves verticillate. Flowers orange-red and very fragrant. No Lily collection complete without this rare variety. Strong first-size flowering bulbs.....	2 00	18 00	170 00
Strong second-size flowering bulbs.....	1 50	10 00	90 00

## HARDY NATIVE LILIES AND BULBOUS PLANTS, continued

<b>Lilium grayi.</b> Gray's Lily. Height 2 to 4 feet. A beautiful Lily with deep reddish bell-shaped flowers, orange spotted within. Exceedingly showy and continues to grow in demand. We have a large stock on hand and solicit early orders.	10	100	1,000
First-size strong flowering bulbs.....	\$1 75	\$16 00	\$150 00
Second-size mostly flowering bulbs.....	1 00	6 00	50 00
<b>philadelphicum.</b> Orange-cup Lily. Grows 1½ to 3 feet high in growing season. Reddish orange flowers with purple spots. Flowering-size bulbs.....	1 75	15 00	140 00
<b>superbum.</b> American Turk's-cap Lily. Height 4 to 8 feet. Flowers bright orange with dark purple spots. The finest and most used American Lily for massing among shrubbery and in border plantings. Often more than forty large flowers on a single stem. We are headquarters for this famous Lily. See illustration on last page.			
XX largest select bulbs.....	2 75	25 00	
First-size extra-select flowering bulbs.....	1 25	8 50	80 00
Second-size mostly flowering bulbs.....	75	5 00	40 00
Third-size splendid bargain for growing on in the nursery	50	3 50	30 00
<b>TRILLIUM erectum.</b> Purple Trillium. Very ornamental plants 9 to 18 inches high. Flowers large, brown to purple. Large red fruit. Early, profuse spring bloomer. XX strong first-size bulbs.....	60	4 00	30 00
Strong second-size (all blooming size).....		1 50	10 00
<b>grandiflorum.</b> Snow Trillium. The finest and largest species. Flowers 2 to 3 inches across, white, turning to rose-color. One of our best early spring bloomers. This plant flourishes and blooms to perfection in woodland and border plantings and cannot be recommended too highly for general planting. Early orders solicited.			
XXX largest size, unusually heavy.....	1 50	7 00	60 00
XX first-size strong bulbs.....	75	2 50	20 00
Strong second-size bulbs, extra value.....		1 25	10 00



Dicentra eximia



HARDY NATIVE LILIES AND BULBOUS PLANTS, *continued*

<b>Trillium stylosum.</b> Rose Trillium. Grows 10 to 18 inches high in season. Large rose-pink, nodding flowers. Rare and beautiful Southern species.	10	100	1,000
Strong flowering bulbs.....	\$1 25	\$7 00	\$60 00
Second-size for growing on.....		2 50	20 00
<b>undulatum.</b> Painted Trillium. A very strong, vigorous grower. Earliest bloomer of all our native Trilliums. Large flowers with scarlet markings.			
XX strong first-size bulbs.....	1 25	6 00	50 00
Second-size flowering bulbs.....		2 00	15 00

## Hardy Native Herbaceous Perennials

<b>ACONITUM uncinatum.</b> Clambering Monkshood.	10	100	1,000
Strong established plants.....	\$1 25	\$10 00	\$85 00
<b>ACTÆA alba.</b> White Baneberry. Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	90 00
<b>rubra.</b> Red Baneberry. Strong trans. plants.....	1 75	15 00	135 00
<b>ARALIA racemosa.</b> American Spikenard.			
Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	9 00	80 00
<b>ARUNCUS sylvester.</b> Goatsbeard. Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	9 00	80 00
<b>ASARUM shuttleworthi.</b> Mottled Wild Ginger.			
Strong trans. clumpy plants.....	1 25	10 00	85 00
<b>ASCLEPIAS tuberosa.</b> Butterfly Weed. Strong trans. plants...	1 50	12 50	100 00
<b>BAPTISIA tinctoria.</b> Yellow Wild Indigo.			
Extra-heavy trans. clumpy plants.....	1 50	12 50	100 00
<b>CAMPANULA divaricata.</b> North Carolina Harebell.			
Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	9 00	80 00
<b>CAREX fraseri.</b> Fraser Sedge. Rare, broad-leaved evergreen ground-cover. Best suited to shade.			
Extra-strong trans. plants.....	2 00	17 50	165 00
<b>CAULOPHYLLUM thalictroides.</b> Blue Cohosh.			
Strong trans. plants.....	75	5 00	45 00
<b>CHAMÆLIRIUM luteum.</b> Fairy Wand.			
Strong trans. plants.....	75	6 50	50 00
<b>CIMICIFUGA americana.</b> American Bugbane.			
Extra-strong trans. stocky plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
<b>racemosa.</b> Cohosh Bugbane.			
Extra-strong trans. stocky plants.....	1 00	6 00	50 00
<b>CLINTONIA borealis.</b> Bluebead. Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	70 00
<b>umbellulata.</b> Speckled Clintonia. Strong trans. plants...	1 00	7 00	65 00
<b>COREOPSIS lanceolata.</b> Lance Coreopsis.			
Strong trans. clumpy plants.....	1 00	8 50	75 00
<b>DIPHYLLEIA cymosa.</b> Umbrella Leaf.			
Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	
<b>DISPORUM lanuginosum.</b> Fairy Bells. Strong trans. plants..	1 25	10 00	85 00
<b>EUPATORIUM purpureum.</b> Joe-Pye-Weed.			
Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 25	9 00	80 00
<b>GENTIANA andrewsi.</b> Closed Gentian. Strong trans. plants..	1 00	6 00	50 00
Second-size trans. plants.....	50	2 50	20 00
<b>GEUM montanum.</b> Mountain Avens. Geranium-like leaf with golden yellow flowers in midsummer.			
Strong trans.....	2 00	17 50	160 00
<b>GILLENIA trifoliata.</b> Bowmans-root.			
Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
<b>HELENIUM autumnale.</b> Common Sneezeweed.			
Extra-strong trans. clumps.....	1 00	8 00	65 00
<b>HEPATICAC acutiloba.</b> Sharp-lobe Hepatica.			
Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	60 00
<b>triloba.</b> Round-lobe Hepatica. Light trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	90 00



## HARDY NATIVE HERBACEOUS PERENNIALS, continued

<b>HEUCHERA americana.</b> American Alum-root. Large, velvety, evergreen, lobed leaves; suitable for rock-garden. Strong trans. plants.....	10	100	1,000
<b>villosa.</b> Hairy Alum-root. Recommended for rockery. Strong trans. plants.....	\$1 25	\$9 00	\$85 00
Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
<b>HOUSTONIA purpurea.</b> Mountain Houstonia. Strong trans. clumpy plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
<b>HYDRASTIS canadensis.</b> Golden Seal. A famous medicinal herb of great value. We have large stock of this on hand and solicit early orders for the following sizes:			
2-year extra-strong trans. stocky plants.....	1 00	7 00	65 00
3-year extra-strong trans. stocky plants.....	1 75	12 50	100 00
Seeds, crop of 1930.....		1 00	3 50
<b>LIATRIS spicata.</b> Spike Gayfeather. Purple flowers in long spikes. Strong trans. plants.....	1 50	12 50	110 00
<b>LOBELIA cardinalis.</b> Cardinal Flower. Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 25	9 00	80 00
<b>syphilitica.</b> Large Blue Lobelia. Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 50	75 00
<b>PANAX quinquefolium.</b> American Ginseng. Known as the great Chinese medicinal herb, and becoming rare and very scarce. 2-year strong nursery-grown....	1 00	6 50	60 00
3-year extra-strong nursery-grown.....	1 50	12 50	100 00
Seeds, crop of 1930.....			3 50
<b>PODOPHYLLUM peltatum.</b> Common May Apple. White-flowering, shade-loving plants. Strong trans.....	75	6 00	50 00
<b>POLYGONATUM commutatum.</b> Great Solomon's Seal. Extra-strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	60 00
<b>POTENTILLA tridentata.</b> Wine-leaf Cinquefoil. Delicate and desirable rock-garden subject. Trans. plants.....	1 75	15 00	135 00
<b>SANGUINARIA canadensis.</b> Bloodroot. Strong trans. plants..	1 00	5 00	40 00
<b>SAXIFRAGA michauxi.</b> Michaux Saxifrage. Alpine variety. Rare. Strong plants.....	2 50	18 00	175 00
<b>SILENE stellata.</b> Starry Campion. Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	90 00
<b>virginica.</b> Fire Pink. Very showy crimson flowers. Strong trans. plants.....	1 85	15 00	140 00
Light trans. plants.....	75	6 00	50 00
<b>SMILACINA racemosa.</b> False Solomon's Seal. Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	70 00
<b>SOLIDAGO odora.</b> Fragrant Goldenrod. Strong trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	85 00
<b>STENANTHIUM robustum.</b> Feather Fleece. Long, white, delicate flowers, on stems 3 to 5 feet high in mid-summer. Extremely ornamental and altogether one of the finest perennials. Thrives in damp situations as well as in drier soil. Strong first-size trans. plants.....	1 50	12 00	100 00
Strong second-size trans. plants.....	75	6 00	55 00
Strong third-size for growing on.....	50	3 00	25 00
<b>THERMOPSIS caroliniana.</b> Carolina Thermopsis. 2-year trans.....	2 00	17 50	160 00
<b>UVULARIA perfoliata.</b> Wood Merrybells. Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	65 00
<b>sessilifolia.</b> Little Merrybells. Trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	65 00
<b>VIOLA blanda.</b> Sweet White Violet. Strong trans. clumps....	85	7 50	65 00
<b>cucullata.</b> Blue Marsh Violet. Strong trans. plants.....	75	6 00	50 00
<b>lanceolata.</b> Lancelike Violet. Strong plants.....	1 25	10 00	
<b>pedata.</b> Bird's-foot Violet. Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	65 00
Light trans. plants.....	60	4 00	35 00

## HARDY NATIVE HERBACEOUS PERENNIALS, continued

<i>Viola pedata bicolor</i> . Two-Color Bird's-foot Violet. Velvety light blue and purple. Rare.	10	100	1,000
Strong trans. plants.....	\$1 50	\$12 50	\$100 00
Light trans. plants.....	75	6 00	50 00
<i>rotundifolia</i> . Round-leaf Violet. Large, round, prostrate leaves and yellow flowers in early spring.			
Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	7 50	65 00
<i>sagittata</i> . Arrow-leaf Violet. Strong trans. plants.....	1 00	8 00	75 00
<i>XEROPHYLLUM asphodeloides</i> . Turkey's Beard.			
Strong stocky clumps.....	1 75	15 00	135 00
<i>YUCCA filamentosa</i> . Common Yucca.			
Extra-strong trans. clumps.....	5 00	40 00	
Medium-size plants.....	1 75	14 00	125 00
<i>flaccida</i> . Weak-leaf Yucca. Light trans. plants.....	1 25	10 00	90 00
<i>ZYGADENUS muscætoxicus</i> . Crowpoison. Strong plants...	1 25	9 00	75 00



Lilium superbum. See page 5

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